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BERNSTORFF OFFERS NEW ARABIC NOTE

German Ambassador Meets Secretary Lansing in New York and Presents Berlin's Views on Making Settlement.

Contents of Message Not Divulged After Brief Conference—Asks That Actions of Arabic Captain Be Probed.

New York, Oct. 2.—Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, delivered to Secretary Lansing today a note from the German government concerning the Arabic case, which, it is understood, affords a negotiable basis for the settlement of the question.

The ambassador was closeted with Secretary Lansing for only a few minutes, leaving with him a note the contents of which was not disclosed. Both the secretary and ambassador decided that nothing concerning it would be announced. It is understood that the secretary will take the note with him to Washington and after discussing it with President Wilson, will indicate whether or not it is satisfactory.

It was learned reliably that the note furnished a basis for further negotiations and from this it was inferred that while admitting the principle that the merchant would not be tormented, without warning, Germany was anxious to submit to arbitration the question of fact as to whether or not the Arabic was engaged in a hostile act at the time she was torpedoed, and how much indemnity must be paid as a consequence, if the verdict is against the German commander.

MEAT CONFISCATION PROTEST PREPARED

Washington, Oct. 2.—The matter of the action of Great Britain in order of meat cargoes was to be laid before the state department today, with a view to a protest by the American government.

Representatives of the packers had prepared a statement for submission to the department in which was discussed the subject of the price court in condemning the cargoes of four steamships and subsequent seizures not yet dealt with by the court.

BUT TEACHERS' SALARIES INTO STRATFORD BANK

But Schoolma'ams Knew Nothing About It Until They Called For Pay.

(Special to The Farmer.)
Stratford, Oct. 2.—Public school teachers of this quaint old town are going to be a pretty lot—that is, if School Superintendent W. H. Kealey and officials of the Stratford Trust Company have their way.

When pay checks for September's work were due the teachers, this week, the schoolma'ams were started involuntarily on the road to wealth. They don't think so much of the scheme and not a few of them are incensed at the town and bank officials. The saving system, it is said, came to light in this way.

Last Wednesday, the teachers waited in eager anticipation of their monthly pay checks. They came word that teachers should call at the Stratford Trust Company for their money.

To parade to the teller's window came a sudden and indignant stop when the first schoolma'am stepped up.

"I'm Miss ———. I'd like to get my money," she said in her sweet tones. The teller smiled a happy little smile and in conventional banking tones, asked:

"How much of it would you like—and how will you have it please?" The teller, smiling, handed her a check, while fumbling at a pile of passbooks. She found a passbook, made out, in the name of the teacher at the window, and presented it to her.

"You see, we've started a bank account for you. Your pay check has been deposited here, and we've got this passbook made out in your name. Would you like to withdraw some of it?"

The teacher turned to her colleagues and told them the glad tidings—how they were going to be rich, because the bank had taken their money and started savings accounts for them.

Walter G. Goddard, secretary and treasurer of the company, stepped out and tried to tell the teachers that Supt. Kealey had arranged for their banking accounts. They could be thirty or not just as they pleased, for goodness knows, everybody had done what they could to prevent anything that smacked of extravagance.

Most of the teachers didn't think so much of the savings system and put their accounts on the blink by withdrawals in full. Other teachers are waiting for Supt. Kealey to explain the transaction before they act.

President, on Knees, Leads Members of His Cabinet in Simple Prayer for Guidance

Indianapolis, Oct. 2.—How President Wilson went down on his knees and led his cabinet in prayer at a recent meeting was told here yesterday by Bishop William F. Anderson, of Cincinnati, at a session of the Indiana Conference. A United States Senator told the Bishop of the incident. The Senator has heard it from one of the cabinet members who had prayed with the President.

"When the President arrived at the cabinet meeting," said Bishop Anderson, "his face wore a solemn look. It was evident that serious affairs of the nation were on his mind. He said to the cabinet members, 'don't know whether you men believe in prayer or not. I do. Let us pray and ask the help of God.'"

"And right there," continued the

bishop, "the President of the United States fell upon his knees and the members of the cabinet did the same. The President offered a prayer to God. While the war rages in Europe we in this country should thank God that in this crisis of the world we have a chief executive who is a servant of God and who stands with his hand in the hand of God. Every minister in the land should every time he offers a prayer, take Woodrow Wilson by the hand and lead him into the presence of God and ask that he be given strength to continue to be the great apostle of peace among men."

There was a chorus of "Amen's" from the ministers. Later a telegram expressing confidence of the delegates in him was sent to the President.

SLAVONIANS TO HAVE CHURCH IN LOCAL COLONY

Will Be Ready For Occupancy by Latter Part of November, Say Builders.

A new Roman Catholic parish will be added to the city of Bridgeport for the care of the Slavonian population centered in the West End. The church will be known as "Church of the Holy Cross." It is located on Pine Street, near Bowdoin avenue, is nearly completed and will probably be blessed by Bishop John J. Nilan in the latter part of November. The cornerstone was laid last July with impressive ceremonies.

The erection of the church and the overcoming of many obstacles during the last two years while the little flock has had to worship in the churches of St. Stephen's and St. Anthony is credited to the efforts of Rev. Michael Golab who was assigned to the pastorate less than two years ago. Beginning with one hundred communicants he has rapidly increased the membership of his flock and through persevering efforts has collected sufficient revenue to begin the foundation of what promises to be a strong parish in this city.

It is said that the Slavonians, who occupy a territory in Austria near the Italian border, which is now greatly upset by the Italian military campaign, are rapidly coming to America and numerous recruits have been added to the Bridgeport colony within the last few months.

When first formed under the direction of Bishop Nilan, worship was conducted in St. Stephen's church in the West End. Later, when the present time worship is conducted in the basement of St. Anthony's church on Colorado avenue.

The present church will be completed about November 1, according to the builders.

STEAMER ISABEL, POUNDED BY SURF, IS NEARLY WRECK

Hull Not Worth Salvaging After Waves Tear off Upper Parts of Vessel.

(Special to The Farmer.)
Stamford, Oct. 2.—The steamer Isabel, of the A. J. Smith Transportation line, of Bridgeport, will be a total loss in all probability as a result of the storm last night.

Grounded on Shippan Point, off Cow Buoy, where it has been since Tuesday night, the boat was pounded to pieces by the waves and reported to be in the upper parts of it. It is not believed worth salvaging.

The Isabel was grounded after having struck a rock. Several of the crew landed in safety and reported that the steamer has sunk, but this was not true.

Young Women For Ushers in Church

A new feature for church services in Bridgeport will be introduced tomorrow evening at the Washington Park M. E. church, Barnum and Noble avenues, where nine young women will act as ushers and escort the strangers to good seats.

Those who have been selected are Miss Helen Clinton, Miss Mildred Curtis, Miss Anna Rackmeyer, Miss Emma Smith, Miss Ella Crabtree, Mrs. Julia Griffin, Miss Irene Chapman and Miss Clarice Bray.

A series of Sunday evening sermons is being delivered by the minister, Rev. Everett A. Barnes, on the general subject "Sermons from the Farm." Last Sunday the subject was "The Country—A Land of Hills and Valleys," and tomorrow night the second sermon will be delivered on the subject "The Country Road—What One Sees Thereon." In addition to the sermon there will be special music by the quartet of the church including one of Billy Sunday's best hymns, "I Will Walk and Talk With the King."

At this service young ladies of the church will do the ushering.

\$20,000,000 IN PRIZE MONEY.

London, Oct. 2.—The amount of prize money for officers and men of the navy which has accumulated during the war is said by the Morning Post to be \$20,000,000.

WEATHER FORECAST

Rain tonight, Sunday partly cloudy, strong northeast to north winds, becoming west Sunday.

MORE THAN 500 REPORTED DEAD IN GULF STORM

Property Loss Estimated At Considerably Over \$12,000,000.

New Orleans, Oct. 2.—The number of known dead, reported dead and persons missing in Louisiana and Mississippi as a result of Wednesday night's tropical hurricane, was put at 549 in a total compiled here today from reports that came in from many points on the gulf coast and in the interior.

Property damage was estimated at \$12,000,000.

It was considered certain early today that the total dead in the storm would number at least 350. The known death list already stands at 224, with 305 reported dead. In addition there are 117 known missing. While undoubtedly there has been some duplication in compilation of reports of bodies found it was said there were indications that the dead would not be fewer than 350.

The property damage throughout the storm-swept Gulf coast is estimated to be in many places the destruction is complete. Relief parties returning today from one delta said the rice plantations in that section had been badly damaged.

Relief work is progressing rapidly due in great part to the quick recovery made here and in larger cities from the effects of the hurricane. Vessels left yesterday from practically every point along the coast to visit isolated villages, fishing settlements and camps which were in the path of the hurricane.

THREE DIE, SEVEN BADLY INJURED IN ELIZABETH FIRE

Elizabeth, N. J., Oct. 2.—Three men were burned to death and seven firemen injured, three of them seriously, in a fire which destroyed the livery stable of Christ Rhine here today. The three men killed were employees of the stable who were asleep in the loft.

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GERMANS IN NEW ATTACK NEAR ARTOIS

Answer Allies' Repeated Drives to Break Lines By Beginning Terrific Artillery Bombardment.

French Office Claims Further Advances—Teutonic Army Now at Serbian Border—Balkans Watched.

Paris, Oct. 2.—There has been a heavy German bombardment in the Artois district, according to the announcement made by the French war office this afternoon. Nevertheless, the French forces have made perceptible progress in this district on the heights of La Folie.

GREEKS TO PROTECT FRONTIER.

Sofia, Sept. 28, via London, Oct. 2.—(Delayed in transmission.)—The Greek minister to Bulgaria, M. Naoum, said today that Greece did not covet Bulgarian territory and that the object of Greek mobilization was merely to protect the frontier.

TEUTON ARMY NEAR SERBIA.

Paris, Oct. 2.—Reports originating in various places that an immense number of German and Austrian troops have been concentrated on the Serbian front appear to have been greatly exaggerated. These reports gave the size of the Teutonic army as 200,000 to 300,000 men which, it was reported, were ready to march to Constantinople. It is now known that only about 60,000 men are threatening Serbia.

SITUATION IN BALKANS OF GRAVEST IMPORTANCE

London, Oct. 2.—The situation on the eastern front is still regarded as of the greatest importance, notwithstanding the new offensive in the west. To transfer the center of gravity of the war to the western front is the task now before the French and British. The menacing attitude of Bulgaria doubtless is having a marked bearing on the activity of the allies in France and Belgium, for increasing pressure on the German line would exert a decided influence on plans of the Austrians and Germans to concentrate a heavy force on the Serbian frontier should they commit themselves to a fresh campaign in the Balkans with the assistance of Bulgaria. That nation now occupies, as Foreign Secretary Grey phrased it yesterday, the position Turkey held during those weeks of uncertainty before she cast her lot with the allies.

Some sections of the British press are urging Greece and the allies to strike quickly the instant it is determined that diplomacy is no longer able to avert a conflict.

"To wait until Bulgaria actually moves," says the Manchester Guardian, "is to surrender the strategic initiative to her."

Special despatches from Petrograd all speak of the improvement of the Russian position, although there has been no noteworthy change on the eastern front for some days.

With the exception of some ground lost, the British are clinging tenaciously to the positions wrested from the Germans. The series of engagements on the French front in the last few days has not altered conditions appreciably.

Wife In Hungary, Husband Here Says She Has Duped Him

Accused of infidelity with "John Doe" in far off Hungary, Elizabeth Mehler has been sued for divorce by John Mehler of this city. Mehler says the alleged seduction took place in 1907. Mrs. Mehler at present is living in Ker, Hungary. The husband also alleges desertion, April 9, 1912. The wife's maiden name was Elizabeth Mehler.

Another divorce suit filed today in the superior court is that of Michael Monahan of Norwalk against Anastasia Monahan of Port Chester, N. Y. Indebtedly with a man whose name is not mentioned, is alleged. The wife's maiden name was Anastasia Boves. She married the plaintiff in December, 1899.

Elizabeth Dombi of Norwalk wants a decree from Frank Dombi of parts unknown. Desertion, April 1, 1910. Is alleged. The couple were married August 22, 1909.

The commission gives the railroad company permission to continue the practice of reversed locomotives attached to passenger trains running at 25 miles an hour between Amston and Colchester, Waterbury and Watertown, Ridgefield and Branchford and Berlin and New Britain.

WANTS CITY TO PAY FOR INJURIES OF 20 MONTHS AGO
Mrs. Bertha Herrmann of Stratford today submitted to the city clerk a claim for damages and medical attendance for alleged injuries sustained in stepping into a crevice in the sidewalk in Crescent avenue, February 24, 1914. According to the ordinances such claims must be submitted within 30 days in order to be considered by the claims committee of the common council. Mrs. Herrmann claims she fractured her right ankle and sustained other injuries for which she required medical attendance. Her attorney is Robert E. De Forest and she asks for \$400 damages.

CELEBRATES 100th BIRTHDAY.
East Lyme, Conn., Oct. 2.—Mrs. Louise Steeter, who for the past 12 years has made her home with Mrs. Nancy Beckwith here, celebrated her 100th birthday, Thursday. Mrs. Steeter is the eldest resident in East Lyme.

WANT CHILDREN RESTORED TO THEM.
Guisepppe and Rosalio Sabio have petitioned the probate court that their children, Francisco and Jose, be returned to them. The couple are living on a farm in Monroe. When the children were committed to the county home where they are now, the parents were living apart. The mother was living with relatives in Catherine street and the father was living on the farm at Monroe.

SUE VAUDEVILLE GIANT FOR HIS STORAGE BILL
Captain George Auger, "the Cardiff Giant," whose fame as a vaudeville actor is widespread, has been sued for \$200 by Christopher Rickard, "Fairytale Farm." Captain Auger's country estate in Fairfield, has been attached by Rickard in the action, which also names Elizabeth Auger as co-defendant, were filed today in the common pleas court. The suit is brought to recover money alleged to be due for storage. The action is returnable to the October term.

Colonel Shannon of the Western Canada Regiment was wounded while serving at the Dardanelles.

DIVORCE HUSBAND, IN JEALOUS RAGE STABBING WIFE, IS SHOT FIVE TIMES BY HIS SUCCESSOR IN HER AFFECTIONS

WORLD'S SERIES OPENS ON OCT. 8 IN PHILADELPHIA

Second Game in Same City and Then Scene is Shifted to Boston.

COMMISSION VOTES TO STAND BY "UMPS"

Four Officials Designated and Will Be Upheld in all Their Rulings.

New York, Oct. 2.—The National Commission, at its meeting today, decided that the first game of the world's series shall be played in Philadelphia on Friday, October 8. The second game is set for the next day, October 9, in the same city. The third and fourth games will be played in Boston on October 11 and 12, respectively. The fifth game will be played in Philadelphia on October 13, and the sixth in Boston, on October 14.

The seventh game, if one is necessary, will be played on Friday, October 15. The place for this game will be chosen by the toss of a coin.

It was decided that in case a seventh game appeared to be necessary, the city in which it would be played would be decided by a coin toss before the beginning of the sixth game.

The four umpires who will arbitrate in the field and on the foul lines were selected by the presidents of the two leagues.

President Tener named Charles Risher and W. J. Klem as the National League representatives, while President E. B. Johnson selected William Evans and Frank O'Loughlin to act for the American League. The National Commission named J. G. T. Spink as its representative among the fiscal scores and requested that the Baseball Writers' Association select additional scorers from among its members for Philadelphia and Boston.

All the rules that governed the play during the 1914 series will be in force again this season. The National Commission announced that the umpires would have the complete support and backing of that body in preserving order and enforcing the rules among the players. They are to be particularly cautioned against permitting any disorder or loud comment by players on the benches of the rival clubs.

It was further decided that in case of a tie game or a postponement due to inclement weather the teams will remain in the city where such game was to have been played until that game is completely and duly played.

This was a reply to President Lannin's statement that unless the "Royal Rooters" of Boston, were permitted to purchase reserve seats in a block in the bleachers for the Philadelphia games, they would not allow his team to compete in the series.

Baker said he thought Boston was too big a baseball town to have a body of 400 organized rooters use a series for their own purposes. The 40,000-day rooters were anxious to witness.

"I am convinced," said Baker, "that if it were left to a vote of the 400 'Royal Rooters' as to whether they should be catered for in Philadelphia to the exclusion of the men who have been waiting 32 years to receive the Phillies in a world's series, the 'Royal Rooters' would vote to stay home and give the brother fans a chance to see the game."

Melville E. Webb, of the Boston Globe and Joseph McCreary, of the Sporting Writers' association, of Philadelphia, were selected by the commission to have charge of the distribution of press tickets.

PHILADELPHIA FANS HAPPY.

Philadelphia, Oct. 2.—Philadelphia baseball fans were elated when the news was flashed here that the first two games of the world's series between the Phillies and the Red Sox would be played in this city. There was also satisfaction expressed that the first game is scheduled for October 8 as the town was eager to have the games start at an early date.

The greatest problem now facing the club is how to take care of requests for more than 50,000 seats in a park the capacity of which will be about 21,000.

With the death this forenoon of Mrs. Mary Clancy and the probable death this afternoon of her son John F. Clancy, deputy collector of Internal Revenue, at 541 Housatonic avenue was a sad termination to one of the best known of the older families in North Bridgeport as well as fulfillment of the last wish of one of the best known political leaders of the 8th district.

Both mother and son have been ailing for many months, with a fatal malady. While performing his duties as deputy collector of internal revenue, Mr. Clancy was aware that his end was near and though resigned to the end prayed that he might survive his aged mother that he might minister to her wants to the end.

The sad parting came but a few days ago when Mr. Clancy was stricken in a separate room. Mrs. Clancy died this morning. John F. Clancy, her late husband, for years was head of the old gas works in Bridgeport. He came of stock that had settled in Bridgeport when this city was in its infancy. He was survived by a widow Mary and John F. Jr., the oldest son.

John F. Clancy, whose end is believed to be near was one of the leading spirits in the Democratic party in his district, having conducted a store at 1570 Main street near the corner of East Washington avenue for many years. He held many political offices in his district and at one time was clerk of the board of appeals and damages. Later he entered the revenue service. His last trip to Providence where his office was located was on September 2. He was born in the house in which his mother died and when a youth attended the Grand street school.

MOSCOW FACES RIOTS
Washington, Oct. 2.—Delayed despatches to the state department, report conditions of unrest in Moscow, foreshadowing the riot mentioned in news despatches. Unemployed, thrown out of work by strikes, were said to be causing trouble and more serious outbreaks were threatened. Officials believe no Americans were injured.

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Woman and Assassin Calmly Walk Away From Scene of Shooting—She Boards Trolley Car While He Makes Escape Through Freight Yards Toward the Waterfront.

SOUTH END NOONDAY THROGS GIVE CHASE TO ASSASSIN ALONG DOCKS.

Woman is Apprehended As She Reaches City's Center on Trolley Car, While Man Apparently Made Getaway—Grocer in Path of Bullets Narrowly Escapes.

While Luigi Costa, aged 29, of 88 Highland avenue, held an open umbrella in front of him in a vain effort to protect his body, Joseph Occhipinte, sweetheart of the woman who divorced Costa 10 months ago, pumped the latter full of bullets, shortly before noon today at Atlantic and Lafayette streets.

Costa had attacked his former wife with a knife. Her sweetheart shot five times at him, and hit him with four bullets. Costa is dying in St. Vincent's hospital.

Edward Weldon, grocery and meat market owner at 320 Lafayette street, and father of Dr. E. B. Weldon of the Emergency hospital corps, narrowly escaped being hit in the head by the shot that missed Costa. Standing at his block in the meat market, Mr. Weldon had scarcely time to start moving when a bullet came through his front window, grazed his head and went through a side window.

Occhipinte calmly walked off after wounding his rival. With the former Mrs. Costa whose maiden name was Carmelina Rubito, left the scene of the shooting and didn't start to run until he was more than a block away. The police haven't caught him yet.

MAYOR LAWLER QUILTS HARTFORD COMMERCE BODY

Hartford, Oct. 2.—Mayor Joseph H. Lawler tendered his resignation today as a member of the Hartford chamber of commerce. He would assign no reason for it, but it is believed it may have been actuated by a conversation with President W. L. Wakefield, of the chamber, who protested against allowing strikers to parade here Friday and on which the mayor differed.

She was separated from Costa, and Joseph Occhipinte, who, Costa says, lives on East Main street near the Public Market branch, became attentive to her. They grew to be lovers and the ire of Costa was excited by that fact.

Mrs. Costa worked only four days this week. She has been employed in the brasserie department of the Warner Bros. Co. Today she went to the factory soon after 11 o'clock to get her pay. She was accompanied by Occhipinte.

Costa, who was not working today because of the weather, followed them. In his trousers belt was a long dagger. While Mrs. Costa went inside the factory, Occhipinte waited outside. When she came out Costa approached her.

"I want you to keep away from that man," Costa said, grasping her by the right wrist. "You've got to marry me again."

"No, I never would," Mrs. Costa screamed, pulling away from her late husband.

Costa pulled the knife from his belt and stabbed her slightly in the left wrist.

Her screams brought Occhipinte on the scene. "Joe, Joe, here a long dagger," the woman screamed.

This was in front of the market of Mr. Weldon.

Occhipinte pulled a revolver from his pocket, leveled it at Costa and slowly fired one shot after another until the chamber was empty.

At the first shot, Costa opened his umbrella in a crazed effort to seek protection. Back of the door, the way of the meat market, he held the umbrella in front of him in the effort to fend off the bullets. They all pierced the cloth of the umbrella and one, passing through the center, glanced off and ricocheted through Weldon's window, narrowly missing his head.

Moaning "Oh!" "Oh!" when the first bullet entered his body, he tried to escape by crouching behind a barrel but didn't move quickly enough.

One bullet entered his forehead, one entered his back, one his left forearm and one his left kidney.

Occhipinte put the gun in his pocket and walked away, starting down Atlantic street. Bending over and holding on his stomach with both arms, Costa endeavored to go after him. He walked several steps and then came back to the doorway, tried to enter the grocery door and fell, semi-conscious, to the sidewalk.

A score of persons heard the shots and watched the assassin walk away with the woman behind him. She had been standing on the street corner watching.

J. B. McCormick, of Westport, an engineer of the Warner Bros. Co., put after the couple. He says the woman ran into Warren court leading off Atlantic street and climbed a fence to get out on the street again.

John J. Nash of 10 Warren court and Alfred Abt, 718 Atlantic street, a designer of Warner Bros. ran after her.

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